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Mr. Will Kempton, Director  
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Attention: Federal Resources Office, Room 3500  
For Ross A. Chittenden, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: AMBAG 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 11

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed their reviews of Amendment No. 11 to the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) portion of the 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated September 21, 2005. As detailed in the enclosure to your letter, this amendment adds 4 project listings and modifies 13 project listings in the MTIP/FSTIP for the metropolitan planning region encompassing the counties of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz. The AMBAG Board of Directors endorsed this amendment to the FY 2004/05-2006/07 Monterey Bay Area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) on September 14, 2005, by approving Resolution No. 2005-16. By separate letter dated September 21, 2005, we approved the modifications to the National Scenic Byways program funding that is proposed in Amendment No. 11 for the Route 1 Big Sur Historic Fountain Restoration Project.

We are approving this amendment to the 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP for the AMBAG region pursuant to the Federal statewide and metropolitan transportation planning requirements, including the September 2, 2005, *Interim Guidance for Implementing Key SAFETEA-LU Provisions on Planning, Environment, and Air Quality for Joint FHWA/FTA Authorities*; and in accord with the July 15, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding between the FHWA, California Division, and the FTA, Region IX. We find that the AMBAG 2004/05-2006/07 MTIP, including the changes proposed in Amendment No. 11, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accord with the metropolitan transportation planning provisions of 23 USC §134 and 49 USC Chapter 53.



If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of the Amendment No. 11 modifications to the AMBAG portion of the 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA, California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at [wade.hobbs@fhwa.dot.gov](mailto:wade.hobbs@fhwa.dot.gov); or Lorraine Lerman in the FTA, Region IX office at (415) 744-2735, or by email at [Lorraine.Lerman@fta.dot.gov](mailto:Lorraine.Lerman@fta.dot.gov).

Sincerely,

*/s/ Leslie T. Rogers*

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